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SUBJECT: COMMERCIAL ARMS SALES TO ISRAELI PRIVATE FIRMS

REF: STATE 165871

1. ZINIUK AND MICHLIN LTD. ARE LONG-ESTABLISHED IMPORTERS OF ARMS, AMMUNITION, AND EXPLOSIVES. THEY HAVE HAD BUSBCSS DEALINGS WITH AMERICAN MANUFACTURERS FOR MANY YEARS. MANAGER SHLOMO ZINIUK TOLD US THAT ARMS ARE TO BE IMPORTED FOR BOTH WHOLESALE AND RETAIL SALE.

2. MIFAL MIVZA CO., LTD. IS LARGE FIRM ESTABLISHED IN 1951. MAIN BUSINESS IS MANUFACTURE AND EXPORT OF NONFERROUS METALS, BUT ALSO IMPORTS AMMUNITION FOR DEMOLITION, AND SMALL ARMS AND ARMS PARTS FOR BOTH LOCAL SALE AND EXPORT. MANAGER EHUD ARAZI SAID CURRENT EXPORT LICENSE IS FOR \$1500 ORDER FOR PARTS FOR .22 CAL. RIFLES AND .38 CAL. PISTOLS, SOME OF WHICH MAY EVENTUALLY BE RE-EXPORTED. (COMMENT: WE ARE NOT AWARE WHETHERMBCDE-EXPORT OF THESE ITEMS IS RESTRICTED BY U.S. REGULATIONS.)

3. GENERAL ARMAMENT CORPORATION. EMBASSY HAS NO WTDR ON FILE AND TELEPHONE IS TEMPORARILY OUT OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ORDER. WE WILL ATTEMPT TO MAKE DIRECT APPOINTMENT

IF PHONE NOT REPAIRED SOON.

4. WE HAVE NOT SUCCEEDED IN LOCATING KAL-VI (TRADING)
CO. LTD. ISRAELI REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES LISTS FIRM
OF THAT NAME, BUT FILES SHOW LAST REGISTERED ADDRESS
AS 100 ZAHAL STREET, KIRYAT ONO. (NOTE: SUBURB OF
TEL AVIV). EMBOFF VISITED ZAHAL STREET NEIGHBORHOOD,
WHERE RESIDENTS CONFIRMED THAT THERE IS NO NUMBER
68 ZAHAL STREET (ADDRESS GIVEN IN REFTEL). NUMBER 100 IS RESIDENTIAL
APARTMENT BUILDING WHEREIN NO BUSINESSES APPEAR TO BE LOCATED.
COMMENT: WE RECOMMEND THAT DEPARTMENT DISAPPROVE
KAL-VI EXPORT LICENSE APPLICATION UNLESS THEY CAN
FURNISH INFORMATION RE BUSINESS LOCATION AND HISTORY.
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